

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 2559 - SB 2854**

February 17, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Provides that persons convicted of the offense of rape of a child shall be sentenced to imprisonment for life. Under current law, the offense is a Class A felony with a minimum sentence of 20 years.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$4,945,000/Incarceration\***

Assumes 34 convictions per year receiving a sentence increased from 20 years to life without parole.

\*Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: *For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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